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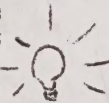
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JAYCEE CREED

WE BELIEVE:

THAT FAITH IN GOD GIVES MEANING AND PURPOSE TO
HUMAN LIFE;

THAT THE BROTHERHOOD OF MAN TRANSCENDS THE SOVEREIGNTY OF
NATIONS;

THAT ECONOMIC JUSTICE CAN BEST BE WON BY FREE MEN THROUGH
FREE ENTERPRISE;

THAT GOVERNMENT SHOULD BE OF LAWS RATHER THAN OF MEN;

THAT EARTH'S GREAT TREASURE LIES IN HUMAN PERSONALITY AND

THAT SERVICE TO HUMANITY IS THE BEST WORK OF LIFE.

DORCHESTER JAYCEES

MAY 1976



A candle's but a simple thing,
It starts with just a bit of string.
Yet dipped and dipped with patient
hand,
It gathers wax upon the strand
Until, complete and snowy white,
It gives at last a lovely light.
Life seems so like that bit of string;
Each deed we do a simple thing,
Yet day by day if on life's strand
We work with patient heart and hand
It gathers joy, makes dark days bright,
And gives at last a lovely light.

— Clara Thurston

INFORMATION ON JAYCEES

What is Jaycees? - Jaycees is an organization of young men, interested in the individual development of each other and in the community in which they live, using one to help with the other and vice versa.

What is meant by individual development? - This is the development of an individual and the abilities of the individual, including such things as self motivation, self confidence, speaking ability, ability to communicate, ability to organize, lead, etc. .

What is meant by community development? - Those activities in the community designed to make the community a better place in which to live. In the case of a unit in a penitentiary such as Dorchester, the community here for the most part is the penitentiary itself; although some of the activities can and do involve surrounding community's.

How large an organization is Jaycees? - In Canada there are over 7,000 active Jaycees throughout all ten provinces. There are over 400,000 Jaycees throughout all the major countries of the free world. Jaycees is truly an International organization.

Are there many Jaycee units established in Penal institutions? There are over 250 Jaycee units in Penal institutions in the United States and Canada. Many of these units hold a full charter within JCI.

How does a Penal unit function? - A penal unit functions in a manner not too different from a 'outside' Jaycee unit, except the restrictive rules of any one institution may vary in such a degree to limit any one unit's progress, but usually that unit's views are quite optimistic and therefore its purpose is beneficial to JCI by and large. There are obviously limitations on Ways and Means programs and the type of programs that can be run, but they do operate many of the Jaycee leadership Training programs and community development programs.

What type of Leadership Training programs or courses do penal Jaycee units offer? - Penal Jaycee units offer much the same courses as outside units. The most popular courses are the EFFECTIVE SPEAKING courses and the LEADERSHIP TRAINING course which are quite beneficial for the men and women incarcerated. In addition it is usually necessary that one or more interested Jaycees liaison from the outside with the penal unit so that they can direct their own self motivation in a more positive manner; have some outside help or influence when programs are hindered by administrative rule; and have outside help to keep the inmate Jaycees themselves in touch with the purpose and programs of the Jaycees in general and to direct them should their own self encouragement seem insufficient.

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JAYCEES

WE ARE A PRISON UNIT!

WE ARE NOT PROUD OF BEING IN PRISON,

BUT WE ARE PROUD OF BEING JAYCEES!

According to Jaycee literature: THE BOLD APPROACH

"...Jaycees often take on tasks which appear
to be impossible to accomplish."

"...Jaycees take on controversial projects

which other groups might pass by. Their
philosophy that young men can change the world
leads to bold measures by a unit."

YET there are Jaycees everywhere who sternly protest
JAYCEE involvement with men and women in prison.

WHY?

WE SAY: Who can better benefit by being Jaycees
than men and women in prison.

WHAT ARE THE IDEALS OF JUNIOR CHAMBER?

HAVE YOU FORGOTTEN?

WE URGE YOU TO BE BOLD!

WE DARE YOU TO GET INVOLVED WITH THE MEN AND WOMEN IN THE
PRISON NEAREST YOUR UNIT!

YOU'LL FIND THEM FRIENDLY!

PUBLICATION

The ECHO is published by and for the Dorchester Jaycee. Its purpose is to serve as a means of self expression by its members; to be informative to the public as well as to those men incarcerated; act as an avenue of communication of an encouraging nature between surrounding communities; and it is hoped its publication also serves as an enlightenment to your reading pleasure.

The opinions expressed herein are not necessarily those of JCI as a whole, nor does any article contained within imply its publishers are of such opinion. The primary function of the ECHO is to communicate informative news on the activities of the Dorchester Jaycee unit.

Our reader is invited to participate in our endeavour, by sharing with us any opinions, comments, news or ideas you may have on Jaycee activities.

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THE EXECUTIVE STRUCTURE OF
THE DORCHESTER JAYCEES
APRIL 1976

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YOUTH SPEAK -(CHAIRMAN) - DONNIE AMBROSE

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LIASON- DALE G. CROSS

** I cannot help but notice the open vacancy under the WAYS AND MEANS PROGRAMME. (In addition the INDIVIDULE DEVELOPEMENT; MEMBERSHIP AND AWARDS directorship are inactive) These programmes are all very integral to the Dorchester Jaycee unit; therefore gentlemen I suggest considerable interest be directed towards these programs both now and upon election day. Your unit's future as a prison unit, depends upon, encouraging members in their active participation within the unit. We're all quite aware of the integrated problems a prison unit experiences, but are we so unaware of our own weakened confidence to subject ourselves to the 'INEVITABLE' failure such lack of confidence brings?

PARTICIPATION ! ENCOURAGE ONE ANOTHER TO PARTICIPATE!
BECOME INVOLVED! YOUR UNIT DEPENDS ON YOU!

'SUPPORT YOURSELF'

EDITORIAL

People, being as they are, value different things in as many different ways, as there are people. Modern civilization is such, that the vast majority usually finds people 'trying' to put a price on most things of value so that they can dissolve into "everyday" society ". Therefore our values are something seldom thought about.

The man or woman finding themselves incarcerated have a tremendous advantage over the average 'free' citizen on the street. It is the means of being able to place all things of value in a chronological order of measurable worth. The massive gray walls looming around us not only hides us from society through their security purpose, but their meaning also permits us to find yet another point of view or insight and because of the abrupt difference between the two, we are able to re-appraise those often forgotten values. For example: When was the last time you 'paid' for a warm sunny day? When was the last time you found yourself just 'looking' at the vastness of mother earth? Can you remember the last time you experienced the warmth and comfort of experience, as you ventured along with the visionary characters of a 'good' book? And when was the last time you evaluated your own 'self'?

'WHAT ARE YOU WORTH?' TO WHOM?'

Do you find your worth in a good job and a warm house? Or do you value the meaning of a 'home'? Are you hidden away behind an invisible veil of modern traditionalism? Or would you rather see the value in your own 'link' to HUMANITY?

Many questions indeed, but you can see 'WHY' the difference in insight, depending on which side of those gray walls you are looking at and its not just a matter of a few feet or inches nor of dollars and cents. The most valuable treasures in the world are invaluable even when placed in a chronological order.

Today people are more apt to be blitzed by advertising, commercializing, and 'super-cal-a-frag-a-lizing' life's values, that it may never occur to most the fantastic price they are paying for our modern existance of 'instant' everything.

Perhaps it isn't necessary to end up in prison, or be locked-up in a broom-closet, or be marroned, or be a Guru just to find the meaning, and understand that meaning—finding the price right, but it certainly may have it's advantages.

Thats my thought provoker for this month fellow Jaycees; may its value encourage you in making this world a better place in which to live.

JAX

REMEMBER WHEN ??

Prison Jaycees Gain Five Awards

By SHARON MILLER
Staff Writer

DORCHESTER — "The things inside a man are the important things — this is what I will be working for," said the incoming president of the Dorchester (Inmate) Junior Chamber of Commerce here last night.

In an impressive installation ceremony and awards banquet held at Dorchester Penitentiary, the incoming president told a gathering of more than 120 inmate Jaycees and guests "it is a challenge for me to better things and win awards such as was the case this year. But people are the important things."

Speaking of their sponsors and benefactors, the Moncton Junior Chamber of Commerce — he said "we need people to come in and do things with us and the Jaycees have done this."

"We aren't comfortable with people we don't know — and when we get out we need friends, people we know such as these."

In addition to winning the Outstanding Unit Atlantic Provinces Award, the Dorchester Jaycees were also awarded the District No. 3 Outstanding Unit Award, the Outstanding Unit, the SPOKE Award and the Effective Speaking Award.

Guest speaker at last night's event was Rev. J. A. Nickels of Ottawa, assistant director

social education for the Canadian Penitentiary Service. He stressed that men must be makers, not takers.

He said they must be makers through some form of service, noting that it's "quite surprising what can be done." He said: "Be a maker through example."

"It's amazing what the human touch can do. . . . It's the human touch that counts."

In conclusion, Mr. Nickels told the inmates that a man's worth is what he does.

During the evening Citizenship Court Judge Mrs. Margaret Rideout of Moncton was honored for her "outstanding citizen participation."

Prison Chapter Is Best

By BILL ROBB

DORCHESTER (Staff Special) — The Dorchester Junior Chamber of Commerce, (Inmate), in one year since receipt of its charter, has been chosen as the outstanding Jaycee unit in Canada in a community with under 10,000 population.

In addition the unit's publication "The Echo" was rated as the best mimeographed publication among Jaycee units across Canada.

Past president, Rollie LeBlanc, accepted the certificates of merit Tuesday evening from Wayne Jones of Moncton, national records and recognition program area director. The ceremonies were held prior to the unit's regular monthly meeting.

In making the presentation Mr. Jones told the Jaycees they would have a "tough" year ahead just to equal the first year record.

The Dorchester unit is one of two panel Jaycee units in Canada. It operates entirely within the maximum security institution here, but through its programs, involves the entire town of Dorchester. The other Jaycee unit is located in New Westminster, B.C.

During the past year the 66-man unit has part in regular Jaycee program initiating a leadership training course, study groups and an effective speaking course. Under a community betterment program and art committee was established; a Maritime folk jamboree was held; a letter writing program was established as were a first aid project and hobby craft program. The unit set up of a half-way house society; a homes' and international night was held; assistance to the Red Cross Blood Donor Clinic was given; and a music course was established.

Top Jaycee Unit

CHARLOTTETOWN (Special) — Dorchester has been picked as having the outstanding Junior Chamber of Commerce unit for towns under 15,000 population.

The population of the annual award was made at the Provinces meeting of the Atlantic over the weekend.

At the meeting, Sydney, N.S., was picked as the site for the 1970 annual sessions. Guest speaker was David MacDonald, M.P. for the Prince Edward Island riding of Egmont.

by FAX

I WONDER THOUGH, ??? IF YOU'VE GOT WHAT IT
TAKES TO ATTRACT MY GOOD INTENTIONS? ??? I'LL
GIVE ONE CLUE : NO GIMMICKS!

WE ARE A PRISON JAYCEE UNIT! WE ARE FRIENDLY TOO!

DORCHESTER JAYCEES

MAY 13 - 1976

ELECTION

Following is the results of the past election held here in Dorchester for the purpose of electing a new Jaycee executive for the Jaycee fiscal year; 1976 - 1977.

Thank you's go out to everyone participating in their unit and congratulations to those men elected into office. This is a whole new year year gentlemen. Lets work 'together'.

RESULTS

ELECTED :

PRESIDENT - FREDERICK E. KENT
VICE PRESIDENT - RUSSELL PHALEN
SECRETARY TREASURER - PAUL G. YEATES
M&A DIRECTOR - ROGER FULTON
I. D. DIRECTOR - DAVE SAUNDERS
C.D. DIRECTOR - MIKE LLOYD
W&M DIRECTOR - FRANK KOZMA

***** PAST PRESIDENT - DOUG (.S.T.R.E.T.C.H.) ANDERSON

Not to be forgotten, a word from the wise:

E is for effort -- Like when you first give something a try
E is for more effort -- instead of quitting with a sigh
C is for continuity -- let experience be your guide
Y is for youth ---like the ideas cast aside.
A is for always -- You always have born each day anew
J is for join us -- and let's together use our efforts to
find behind a strong Jaycee unit TOO!



Secretary's report

May, '76"

Since joining this unit late last year, it has been my hope and desire to see the ECHO resume publication. In January I became appointed to the executive of the unit. At that time I said to myself, "Now is my chance to get in there and get it going again."

Unfortunately this has not been possible as I have found myself so busy and caught up in other matters that I just couldn't find the time to do anything about it. Suddenly in our midst, I find that we have Paul back with us and sure enough, he has agreed to step in and get the Echo back into circulation. At this time I can only say 'THANKS' to Paul for all the time and effort he has put into reviving a 'dead horse'. I am behind you 100% Paul.

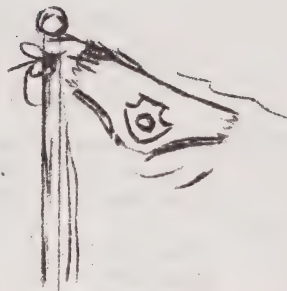
Our unit membership has remained fairly steady all year, with a few leaving or being transferred and new faces coming in as the lazy-hazy days of summer descend upon us. Hopefully we will be able to start an all out campaign for new blood, and come fall really have a snap unit here in the Atlantic region.

As this fiscal year draws to an end we also find that election time is again upon us. The nominating committee under the leadership of Dave Towler has no mean job laid out for itself in getting all this together. To Dave and the crew working with him; Frank Kozma, Dave Ogden, and Les Murray; 'GOOD LUCK'.

To go back a few weeks; (March 18th to be exact) this unit was host to members of several units in the A.R. . on the first anniversary of our unit charter. Guest speakers at that time were; Shaun McCormick, Regional Director, Canada Jaycees; Dan Stotes, Canadian Penitentiary Services, Moncton; and MS. Stella Roberts, 'UNISON', in Halifax. Besides representatives from Moncton, New Glasgow, Dartmouth, etc., we were more than pleased to have in attendance that lovely lady president, Penny Lynn Laurette, and an entourage of lovely members from the Amherst unit. After being ripped-off for our gavel by the Moncton unit last year, (who brought it back charter night) low and behold it disappears again; this time into one of the purses of the Amherst unit. 'See you guys, what women can do to you?? They walk out taking half of the unit with them. It isn't even noticed until yours truly goes to get it for a meeting the following week.

continued.....

In honor of being ripped-off by our female counterparts, (regardless of what you call it Penny....I still call it a rip-off) this unit has raised a flag (panty hose with the Jaycee crest on the seat) to half mast, and so it shall continue to fly until once again this unit and those dazzlers from Amherst meet. Hopefully we can get to their charter night and take it with us!!!!



Project I-DENT-A-PLATE will be going into full swing within the next few days. Starting here at Dorchester, it is my hope to extend this out to all units in the A.R. within the next month and as we move into early summer, I would like to have it extended to every unit coast to coast. We are looking for your support on this so keep an eye on the mail for full information.

I somehow got shanghiad into secretary of YOUTH SPEAK earlier this year and now that the Easter holiday is over we are hoping to get a few speakers out between now and school closing. We'd like to also cover the summer Youth Camps in the Atlantic Region. Again we ask all units to see if they can 'dig' up some speaking engagements for us in this regards. Remember, you are a little closer to the people in your community than we are, so we ask your support in keeping this project alive.

Effective Speaking course has started as of April, 26, 1976 under the leadership of Mr. Walter Johnson, A T M, for Toastmasters International who has agreed to conduct this course for us.

Also, after a delay of nearly two months, we again have Bob Buchanan from the 'LIFE SKILL DEPT.' of the Memramcooke Institute coming in to instruct L.I.A. . This course should be completed later in May or early in June.

Our FIRST AID course is like a temmental woman; first it starts and then it stops. The case has been taken to Dr. Cross and is now in intensive care. Between him and I we still may be able to save it. Right now it's condition is 'critical'. Oh well; lots of bed rest, plenty of fluids, and a couple of aspirin will do wonders..... sometimes!

Over the past few weeks we have been receiving a paper called the REFLECTOR; put together by a young lady named "SAM" (SAMATHA) at the M.C.I.W., Box 7, SHAKOPEE MINNESOTA, ZIP CODE 55379. This has got to be one of the all time greats in Penal publications. I have re-read every article in it, not once, but several times and each time that I do I find something that I had missed the time before. For my money this publication has the Ladies Home Journal, Times, Newsweek, and many other magazines, BEAT! The art layout and photo's are the best that I have ever seen in this type of publication and I feel that congratulations are definitely in order for that great little lady editor of the REFLECTOR. I suggest all our readers drop her a line and get on her mailing list. Keep it up Sam and I'll be canceling my subscription to PLAYBOY! HANG LOOSEEEEE.....friends.

INSIDE JOE

I was there when Joey ripped up his order for a Christmas Box. I knew that Joe had 5 lonely dollars "in the front", so I asked him what he was doing.

"Aw, nuthin'," he said. And that was that. There are some things you don't get nosy about in the penitentiary -- things like people's deeper feelings, and their inner selves, and their money.

But I happen to know where Joey's "case fin" went. He donated it to the Needy Family Fund. I have never mentioned it again to Joe; and I suppose he'll want to give me particular hell when he reads this item -- but since I hope to be in Ontario when the Echo comes out, I will risk that foul temper of his.

Sure, Joey is mean and tough and maybe he's woefully wicked; I'm not holding any brief for what he is or what he has been. But Joe and I have a secret. We both know he has a heart.

Maybe Joey had a rough time of it when he was a youngster; maybe he recalls Christmas as just another bleak day when he was suppose to feel happy, but didn't; maybe he was thinking of a Christmas morning when there wasn't any coal for the kitchen stove, let alone an electric train for Joey. Or maybe he figures that a 5 dollar bill from him might help just a bit toward steering some carbon copy Joey to a different future. Maybe he simply feels that some people are even worse off than he is. Maybe he thinks these things; maybe not.

Whatever the case, Joey gave his Christmas Box anonymously to someone he will never see; someone who will never know who Joey is.

It's a little late for Christmas stories -- and perhaps that's just as well; because Christmas stories are easy to come by in late December, and dreadfully hard to come by during the rest of the year -- but I thought this one should be passed along to you without the traditional, almost reflexive sentimentality of the Christmas season.

I hope you don't have a heart attack when you read this, Joey. That last attack was pretty serious -- but it wasn't fatal, was it?

Attacks of generosity seldom are.

Reprint: The Echo - June 1973
written by frank guiney

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DORCHESTER JAYCEES

1976

YEAR'S PLAN OF ACTION (PART I) FOR THE MONTHS, JUNE, JULY, AND AUGUST.

Monday

May 31

Youth Sp. k

Effective Speaking

June 6

Effective Speaking

June 13

Youth Speak

Effective Speaking

June 20

Effective Speaking

July 4

Holiday

July 11

Effective Speaking

Youth Speak (last meeting
until September)

July 18

Effective Speaking

Thursday

June 3

Executive meeting

June 10

Committee management
Course

June 17

Orientation Night

June 24

Gen. meeting & film

July 8

Executive meeting (a.m.)
Introduction and induction
Nite' (p.m.)

July 15

Gen. meeting & film

July 22

-OPEN-

July 29

-OPEN-

August 5

Executive meeting

August 12

Gen. meeting & film

August 19

-OPEN-

August 26

-OPEN-

Friday

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not so funny



'It's alright beautiful; we've come to rid you of the cause for pollution'.

in closing

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THE DORCHESTER JAYCEES

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THANK YOU FOR YOUR INTEREST IN JAYCEE ACTIVITIES.

Smile

....."we're friendly"

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